

Dear Co-Chair Winfield, Co-Chair Stafstrom, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Blumenthal, Ranking Member Kissel, Ranking Member Fishbein, and all members of the Judiciary Committee:

Moms Demand Action, Newton Action Alliance, Connecticut Against Gun Violence etc. will tell you that Senate 16 will make them feel safer. And they are absolutely right.

It will make them FEEL safer.

BUT it will NOT ACTUALLY make any of us safer.

And that's the tragedy.

Criminals will still steal firearms. Criminals will still harm people with knives, bats, feet and fists.

Suicides will not still occur, just through other ways.

Criminals will still board buses or enter municipal buildings with weapons, no matter what a sign says.

Meanwhile,

Thousands of so called "assault weapons" and "ghost guns" will be possessed by law-abiding citizens, sitting well-cared for in their safes, never to assault anyone but to be enjoyed at the range with friends and family. I guess you'll know about them.

But as long as everyone FEELS safer.....

**OPPOSE Senate Bill 16**

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